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Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

This reply is responsive to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2007 as well as the Telephone Interview conducted with the Examiner on July 9, 2007. A Petition for a two (2) month extension of time and the requisite fee are provided herewith.

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**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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